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AMENDMENT AND REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In a final Office Action dated July 17, 2003 (the "Office Action"), the Patent Office withdrew some rejections to the pending claims, but maintained one claim objection (typographical errors) and three rejections of various claims on various statutory grounds (indefiniteness, anticipation and obviousness). The present response amends one claim to correct remaining typographical errors and provides clarifying comments for the record that overcome each of the outstanding claim rejections. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present amendment, which will reduce the number of issues for appeal, and reconsideration of the application. This amendment and response is timely filed.

Amendment to the specification: None.

Amendment to the claims is presented in the claim listing beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.